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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2982655 A (BUDD et al) 2 May 1961 Entire document	1-10
Y	US 6079323 A (DZENIS) 27 June 2000 Entire document	1-10
Y	WO 1994/024850 A (INNOVATIVE ENGINEERING LIMITED) 10 November 1994 Entire document	1-10
Y	US 4237781 A (CHARLES) 9 December 1980 Entire document	1-10
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Patent Document Cited in Search Report			Patent Family Member				
US	2982655	NIL					
US	6079323	AU	24793/00	CA	2352772	WO	2000/033643
WO	1994/024850	AU	65459/94	NZ	265118		
US	4237781	AU	45816/79	BE	875724	CA	1115598
		DE	2912471	DK	146479	FR	2423146
		GB	1567894	JP	54140770	NL	7903152
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